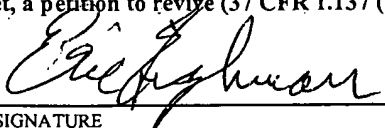


FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 10-2003)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>SHEE 2 00049</b>	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)	
				<b>10/524567</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/EP03/09361</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>August 23, 2003</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>September 6, 2002</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR JOINING THE FUNCTIONAL PARTS OF HYDRAULIC OR PNEUMATIC WORKING DEVICES, AND JOINING CONNECTION					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>DBT GmbH</b>					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol>					
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li> </ol>					

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<b>21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</b>  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 60%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee..... \$ 300.00  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee..... \$ 200.00  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee..... \$ 500.00   TOTAL of the above calculations = \$ 1000.00 </div> <div style="width: 35%; text-align: right;"> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th colspan="2">CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</th> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">\$300.00</td> <td style="width: 40%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$200.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$500.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$1,000.00</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </div> </div>				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY		\$300.00		\$200.00		\$500.00		\$1,000.00	
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+	\$360.00								
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				+	\$ 40.00								
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>1,040.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0308</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.													
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SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:													
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## PATENT

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## LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled METHOD FOR JOINING THE FUNCTIONAL PARTS OF HYDRAULIC OR PNEUMATIC WORKING DEVICES, AND JOINING CONNECTION

By: Guy Zins

## 1. Type of Application

☒ National Stage Entry Under 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)

## 2. Required Papers Enclosed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular):

18 Pages of specification

6 Pages of claims

1 Page of Abstract

4 Sheets of Formal/Informal Drawings (Figures 1-6)

## 3. Declaration or oath

☒ Enclosed

## 4. Preliminary Amendment

☒ Enclosed

## 5. Assignment

☒ An assignment of the invention to: **DBT GmbH**

☒ A check in the amount of **\$40.00** is enclosed as well as the "Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet".

## 6. Priority

This is a National Stage Entry of PCT Application No. PCT/EP03/09361 which claims priority to German Application 102 41 801.2 filed September 6, 2002.

**OR**

Provisional Patent Application No. filed on ;

**OR**

Under § 120 or § 365(c) to (check appropriate box and supply the requisite information):

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional

of prior application no. Examiner:

☐ Continuation-in-part

Art Unit:

☐ and please amend the first paragraph of the specification as follows: "This application claims the priority benefit of U.S. application Serial No. , filed , the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."

## 7. Information Disclosure Statement

☒ Enclosed ☒ Form 1449 PTO ☒ References

8. ☐ Nonpublication Request Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (Applicant(s) must attach form PTO/5B/35 or its equivalent.)

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## 9. Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ABOVE-INDICATED AMENDMENT(S)				
(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	15 - 20 =	0	x \$50	= \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200	= \$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (IF APPLICABLE) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		ANY -- 0	x \$360	= \$0.00
UTILITY APPLICATION SIZE FEE (FOR APPLICATION THAT EXCEEDS 100 SHEETS, FEE FOR EACH GROUP OF 50 ADDITIONAL SHEETS)		0 GROUP(S)	x \$250	= \$0.00
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))				\$300.00
UTILITY SEARCH FEE				\$500.00
UTILITY EXAMINATION FEE				\$200.00
TOTAL LARGE ENTITY FEE =				\$1,000.00

10. ☒ A check in the amount of **\$1,040.00** is enclosed.

## 11. Examination Fee

☐ Applicant(s) have not paid the examination fee at this time.

## 12. Authorization to Charge Deposit Account

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308:☐ 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees); and☒ 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims).

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